GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:277
ANSWERED ON:03.08.2017
Foreign Investment in Road Projects
Udhayakumar Shri M.

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is formulating a model pact for its projects to suit the need of private investors, especially from the U.S., the Middle East and Singapore, who have shown keen interest in operating them;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also true that investors from abroad have shown keen interest to buy some of the road projects; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) A STATEMENT is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 277 ANSWERED ON 03RD AUGUST, 2017 ASKED BY ADV. M. UDHAYA KUMAR REGARDING 'FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN ROAD PROJECTS'

(a) No Madam. No model pact is being formulated for projects to suit the need of private investors, especially from the U.S., the Middle East and Singapore.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) Yes Madam. Monetization of public funded, operational NH projects through the Toll −Operate −Transfer (ToT) model has been approved by the CCEA. 75 public funded NH projects with aggregate length of 4,500 km and annual toll revenue collection of around Rs 2,700 crores have been identified under the model. Preparatory activities including finalization of the Model Concession Agreement and RFP document have been completed and the transaction advisor has been identified. The first round of bidding for ToT projects is to be held shortly. While finalizing the model, adequate stakeholder consultation has been done. Investors from abroad have shown keen interest in this model.

(d) Stakeholder workshops on the ToT model have been organized in places like Mumbai, Dubai and Singapore in which investors like Abu Dhabi Investment Authority (ADIA), Hastings Infrastructure, GIC, Keppel Infrastructure Fund Management, Temasek, Mizuho Asia Infra Capital, Macquarie, Morgan Stanley Infrastructure, Equirus Capital, I Squared Capital, J.P.Morgan Asset Management, IL&FS and others have showed interest to invest in ToT projects.

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